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To Whom It May Concern:

#1. a. Long-term contracts acceptable only if manner of storage is not given over to vendors.

b. Internet-based ordering system not acceptable due to overwhelming difficulties incurred in past with computer connectivity between a variety of computer systems in addition to limited computer experience which would exist between states, vendors, USDA and schools.

O Response is the same for #12 - computer connectivity.

#2. Acceptable only if structured carefully so that evaluation criteria does not limit competition to the smaller vendors.

#3. Acceptable if more specific details of the changes to update product specifications are made available for comment.

#4.& #6. Absolutely disagree!

#5. Agree.

#7. Too many unknowns to agree or disagree.

#8. Good idea if applied to the existing FDP system in order to improve it.

#9. Excellent!

#10. Excellent!

#11. Excellent!

#13. What does this single point of contact mean exactly? Need more information.

#14. What means of evaluation was used in the selection of pilot programs and will the evaluation of these pilots be published?

#15. a. Excellent!

b. Want no loss of SFA's ability to control product specifications.

c. Why cooperatives through FDP? Instead, use NSLP's procurement training. Whose gain will it be if cooperatives for USDA food purchasing is used?

#16. Due to lack of detail still missing from most of the proposed changes, it is questionable if paperwork will actually be streamlined. Also, when will USDA revise Part 3052 and 250 regulations which address reporting, recordkeeping and compliance?